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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of July 12, 2004, Applicants elect, with traverse, claims 1-8 of Embodiment B. Applicants therefore withdraw from prosecution in the above-identified application claims 9-16 of Embodiment A, but

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reserve herein the right to prosecute such claims in a later-filed continuation or divisional application.

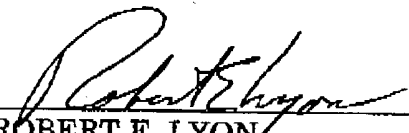
Applicants therefore await consideration and examination of elected claims 1-8, and respectfully request consideration on the merits in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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